IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Bahir & Ben-Sasson

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Art Unit : 1638

FOR : METHOD FOR GENERATING PLANT DIVERSITY BY

INCORPORATION OF MICROSATELLITE SEQUENCES

INTO THE PLANT GENOME

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OCTOBER 16, 2008 OFFICE ACTION AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

This Amendment and Petition are submitted in response to the non-final Office Action mailed October 16, 2008. A shortened statutory period for reply is set to expire 3 months from the mailing date of the Office Action, i.e. on January 16, 2009. Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time, and authorize the Commissioner to charge the one-month extension fee of SIXTY FIVE DOLLORS (\$65.00) for a small entity to Deposit Account No. 50-1891. Accordingly, a response is now due on February 17, 2009 (because February 16, 2009 is a holiday), and this Amendment is being timely filed.

Claim Amendment Fee Calculation

	Claims remaining after amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate (SMALL Entity)	Additional Fee
Total	10	Minus	24	0	X \$26.00	\$0.00
Ind.	1	Minus	3	0	X \$110.00	\$0.00

In response to the October 16, 2008 Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.